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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC CHICAGO (92-1013)
JOSEPH GUZZINO, AKA.
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For information of Bureau, Chicago Agents through sources recently ascertained that a group of old-time Chicago Heights, Illinois, hoodlums were participating in large-scale high stakes dice and card games in a pool room located at 250 East 112nd Street, Chicago Heights, being operated by JOSEPH GUZZINO and RALPH BERRY. Information was further developed that participation in this gambling activity was restricted to Italian residents of Chicago Heights, all of whom are known to each other.

In view of the fact that this gambling activity appeared to be purely local in nature and Chicago did not have sufficient information upon which to secure a warrant based upon FBI affidavit, the above information was furnished to Chief ARTHUR BILSK, Cook County Sheriff's Office, inasmuch as he had indicated that he was attempting to locate instant gambling operation in this area.

On April 25, 1966, Sergeant [redacted] Cook County Sheriff's Office, advised he had led a raid on the above gambling operation on the preceding night, April 24, 1966, and arrested the following listed individuals, all of whom were charged with gambling:

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JOSEPH GUEZINO

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

operated [REDACTED] This firm
testified on behalf of [REDACTED] a member of which
[REDACTED] during

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Illinois. [REDACTED] FRANK LA [REDACTED]
and [REDACTED] Calumet

City, Illinois.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Mayor MARINO MORRIS, Chicago

Heights, Illinois

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Chicago Heights City Attorney

[REDACTED]

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Chicago Heights, Illinois.

[REDACTED]

FRANK LA PORTE

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It is to be noted the above gambling raid received excellent news coverage and the fact that the raid was initiated upon information furnished by the has been widely reported by the various news media

Nab Syndicate Gangster Beneath The Bedsprings

The case of the gangster who shot the dead was reported Monday by sheriff's police.

Flushed from bell 20
bedsprings and arrested
Joe Guzzino, 57, nabbed
police as a crime syndi-
gambling boss in
Heights.

He was called to Sgt. Michael Q. Montgomery in the floor of den and coded of Mrs. Ann in Clara H.

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Along the way, 18 accused gangsters and 100 gangsters were charged with various crimes.

her family's possible opposition.

On Monday, the day after the school go home, agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation reported that Gizzina was not in the high school.

and card games on a poolroom
below Mrs. Ross' flat at 259
E. 218 Chicago Heights

The FBI found that the gang-
land was operated by Zino
Alph and both sides
of Cosa Nostra chief
La Torre, O'M

St. Louis, Mo. police surrounded

Her husband, Joseph, 49, spent on his second-floor apartment and three dinner plates at breakfast, cooking up

The only casualty was Dan Willis. Willson nipped on the

He hid a trap-shooter somewhere
under a pile of clothing in a
closet.

The other gambler, O'Mara
had milled a while in the kitchen
club and just stopped in
to say hello. One of the
men on duty in the club

identified himself as the nephew of Harvey Manning

charged Ross with
battery for throw-
ing Det. Wildron
charged with
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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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Informant advised on April 25, 1966, [redacted]

[redacted] Forsythe Billiards, 4810 Indianapolis Boulevard, East Chicago, Indiana. He stated that previously JOE GUKINO, an old time CAPONE mobster and the [redacted] frequented the establishment. He last recalls seeing GUKINO on approximately the first of April when he came into the building and just "sat around." GUKINO did not appear to have any interest in the activities of the other individuals at the tables and informant was surprised to see how old and dissipated GUKINO appeared. Later he observed GUKINO playing gin rummy with a couple of other real old gentlemen. The stakes appeared very small and JOE appeared not to have any financial interest in the other games being operated. At this time GUKINO told him that he did most of his gambling at Rosci's Pool Room on 32nd Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois. Informant stated that some of GUKINO's friends [redacted] GUKINO had had a heart attack a short time ago and that he was gradually recuperating.

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Informant advised that in the past GUKINO and [redacted]

[redacted] Forsythe Billiards, [redacted] barbouth game in Cicero, Illinois. [redacted] 25% of the game and cut the outfit in for an unknown part of this game. Because of FBI activity this game, which supposedly was [redacted] has been closed on several occasions. Informant heard that GUKINO is contemplating the reopening of the Cicero game and assumes that he will take [redacted]

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It should be noted that on April 25, 1966, Sergeant MICHAEL O'MARA, Cook County Sheriff's Police, advised that based on the information previously furnished by the FBI he conducted a gambling raid on Rosci's Pool Room in Chicago Heights and arrested 20 people including JOE GUKINO. He confiscated approximately \$3,600 in cash and seized \$400 worth of property that was used in gambling.

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Informant [REDACTED]
with RALPH EMERY, who continues to operate the Regal
Vending Company at Chicago Heights, Illinois. EMERY
stated that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] JOE ROSSI'S pool room
in Chicago Heights. EMERY [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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those arrested at the gambling raid that the FBI had furnished
the information regarding the gambling. The gamblers assumed
that the FBI gave the Sheriff's Office the gambling information
because they had allowed the bank to be robbed. EMERY [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] JOE GUZZINO, who was arrested
at the gambling raid suffered a heart attack when he attempted
to evade arrest by crawling under a bed in [REDACTED] apartment.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No **92-2012**
Form CG 7

100 Dearborn Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604
June 22, 1966

Office of Secretary of State
State Capitol Building
Springfield, Illinois

Attention: Auto File Section

Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, registration information is requested of your office concerning the Illinois license number(s) listed in space provided below.

Space is provided on the lower half of this letter for desired information which may be available in your files, date on which your records were checked, and name of employee making the check. Please return our letter, furnishing available information, in the enclosed, self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]
M. W. JOHNSON
Special Agent in Charge

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Year	License #	Registered Owner	Address	Make, Model & Year of Car	Motor Number
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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS 62706

June 27, 1966

Federal Bureau of Investigation
219 South Dearborn Street
Room 905
Chicago, Illinois

Attention: M.W. Johnson

Re: 1966 License [redacted]
Your File No. 92-2012

Gentlemen:

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1966 License [redacted] was issued to [redacted]
[redacted] Illinois,
covering a 1966 Oldsmobile, Cutlass Coupe, Serial No.
[redacted]

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Powell".

PAUL POWELL
SECRETARY OF STATE

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TITLE OF CASE JOSEPH GUZZINO		REPORT MADE BY SA 	TYPED BY NLB
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REFERENCES: Chicago airtel to Director dated 4/25/66.
 Chicago report of SA dated 4/29/66.
 Indianapolis letter to Chicago dated 5/20/66.
 Chicago letter to Springfield dated 6/22/66.

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ENCLOSURES

TO THE BUREAU (2)

Enclosed for the Bureau are 2 copies of a letterhead memorandum regarding the characterization of informants.

LEADCHICAGO**AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to investigate**

Case has been Pending over one year <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No, Pending prosecution over six months <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
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and report the activities and background of the subject.

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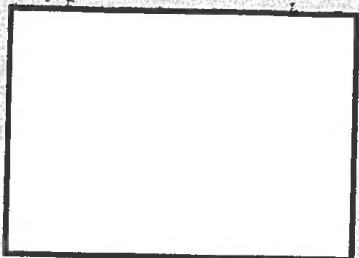
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Subject, is from

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DETAILS:

[REDACTED] A review of the arrest made by Sergeant [REDACTED] Cook County Sheriff's Police on April 24, 1966, at 259 East 22nd Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, shows the following known background on the listed individuals

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JOSEPH GUZZINO

Well known Calumet City; Hammond and Cicero, Illinois, gambler.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] The firm, which is operated by the [REDACTED] has long been associated with organized [REDACTED] in Cook County; and [REDACTED] JOE COSTELLO [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] De Costa's Liquors Chicago Heights Illinois. [REDACTED] FRANK LA [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in the Park Inn Liquors Co Illinois.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and assoc to [REDACTED] known burglars.

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[REDACTED]
A [REDACTED] Mayor MARINO RICHTON Chicago,
Heights, Illinois.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Chicago Heights Illinois City Attorney
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Illinois.
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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] mentioned above.
[REDACTED]
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Chicago Heights, and associates of [REDACTED] law element.

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Sergeant O'MARA advised the the subject was located on the second floor of the poolroom and claimed to have suffered a slight heart attack following his arrest. Sergeant O'MARA advised that he was given medical treatment and he does not know the results of the treatment. Sergeant O'MARA advised that the owner JOE MOSKI had complained to the Chicago Heights Police Department and obtained an arrest warrant for one of the arresting officers for assault and battery. He advised that the Cook County State's Attorney's Office had appeared in local court on the basis of the warrant, failed to present any evidence or call [REDACTED] to the stand and the judge dismissed the complaint and warrant.

A Chicago Heights Star by-weekly newspaper contained in its April 25, 1966 edition an article which reads in part as follows:

"Hab Syndicate Gangster Beneath the Bedsprings.
Flung from beneath the bedsprings and arrested was Joe
Guzzino, 67, tabbed by detectives as a crime-syndicate
gambling boss in Chicago Heights."

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[redacted] advised on May 12, 1966, [redacted] Percythe Billiards, 4610 Indianapolis Boulevard, East Chicago, Indiana. He stated that in months past JOE GUZZINO, an old time CAPONE mobster, frequented the establishment. He last recalls seeing GUZZINO on approximately the first of April when he came into the building and just "sat around". GUZZINO did not appear to have any interest in the activities of the other individuals at the gambling tables, and the informant advised that he was very much surprised to see how old and dissipated GUZZINO appeared. Later he observed GUZZINO playing gin rummy with some other old gentleman. The stakes appeared very small, and JOE did not appear to have very much interest in the other games being operated. At this time GUZZINO [redacted]

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The informant advised that in the past GUZZINO and [redacted] Cicero, Illinois. [redacted] 25% of the game and cut the "outfit" in for unknown percentage of the operation. The informant stated that GUZZINO is a general conversation indicated [redacted] in Cicero, Illinois.

Chief CASIMIR LINKIEWICZ, Calumet City Police Department, advised on July 2, 1966, that the subject continues to operate the Ebers Restaurant on Wentworth Avenue, and the 5 O'clock Club on 199th Street. Chief LINKIEWICZ advised the subject's Cadillac is usually found at his home at 1085 Wentworth Avenue, the restaurant, or the 5 O'clock Club at any given period of the day. He advised that the subject is always at the Ebers Restaurant from approximately midnight till 2:00 AM, and usually drives the two waitresses home when the restaurant closes.

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[redacted] advised that the subject's [redacted] Four Aces, recreation gambling joint in Hammond [redacted] Kline Avenue and the Expressway in Gary, Indiana. Informant indicated that [redacted] Gary prostitute and that GUSZINSKI has her working in the Gary, Indiana area.

[redacted] advised on June 25, 1968, that he has learned that [redacted] is supposed to be purchasing a restaurant in the Hammond, Indiana area. He surmises that this will probably be converted into a gambling house or house of prostitution. Informant indicated that he would continue to attempt to locate the exact address for GUSZINSKI's new business ventures.

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[redacted] advised on June 3, 1968, that he recently has observed JOE GUSZINSKI in Chicago Heights, Illinois. He is frequently seen in the Cooperative Music Company, and on occasion has been observed having lunch with FRANK LA PORTE at the Dixie Governors Hotel Coffee Shop. It is the informant's personal opinion that GUSZINSKI has taken over the gambling for LA PORTE since LA PORTE's [redacted] has left the area. Informant advised that [redacted] associate of the subject, who won \$8,000 in an unknown crap game in Indiana. The informant believes that the subject has frequently backed [redacted] in much of his gambling activities.

[redacted] were arrested by the FBI on June 2, 1968 for violation of the Federal Statute dealing with ITAR - GAMBLING.

Chicago, Illinois
July 20, 1968

JOSEPH GUCKING
ANTI-KACHUKWIKING

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above.

CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

Chicago [redacted] is an individual who has a wide knowledge of gambling activities in Southern Cook County, Illinois.

Chicago [redacted] is the Gary, Indiana area.

Chicago [redacted] is an individual who gambles in various locations in Cook County.

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SAC CHICAGO (92-2012)

JOSEPH GUZZINO
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Informant of the Chicago Office advised that the subject was recently admitted to the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota. The reason for the visit is unknown to the informant. Review of the subject's file discloses that he has visited the Clinic on past occasions.

Minneapolis requested to contact established sources and determine subject's date of admittance and other pertinent information.

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